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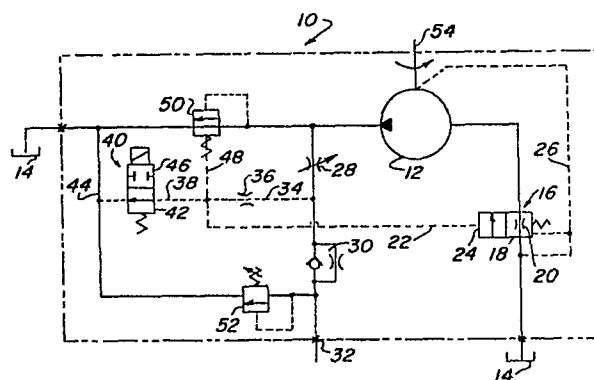
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54 Flow control system for a hydraulic pump.

57) A hydraulic control system (10) having a supply of low pressure hydraulic fluid and a hydraulic pump (12) having a fluid inlet and a fluid outlet through which fluid is delivered at a high operating pressure when the pump (12) is pumping at its capacity. A valve (16) is placed in fluid communication with the supply of hydraulic fluid (14) and the pump fluid inlet for permitting fluid communication between the supply of hydraulic fluid (14) and the pump fluid inlet when in one mode of operation and for substantially preventing fluid communication between the supply of hydraulic fluid and the pump fluid when in a second mode of operation. A control means prevents the valve (16) from assuming its second mode of operation until the magnitude of the pressure at the pump fluid outlet is below a predetermined pressure.

The predetermined pressure is set to be substantially below the pump operating pressure. The valve (16) mounted in the fluid inlet is adapted to rotate therein from a first position in which fluid is free to flow through the fluid inlet to a second position in which the valve (16) substantially prevents the flow of fluid through the inlet. Hydraulically controlled means are provided for rotating the valve (16) back and forth between the first and second positions.



**FIG. 1**



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